

NEWS RELEASE

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Whale Watching Activities Scheduled In March

Redwood National and State Parks Superintendents Steve Chaney and Jeff Bomke announced today that whale watching activities will be presented during the month of March, beginning Monday, March 7th, at the park's Klamath River Overlook.

Rangers will spend portions of the day, every Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday, helping park visitors view Pacific gray whales as they head north from Mexico to their summer feeding grounds off the coast of Alaska. Gray whales feed in the shallow water, using their baleen to filter small shrimp-like animals that dwell in the mud. If the weather is clear, you can see these large marine mammals within a few hundred

yards of shore. Check at one of the park's visitor centers, or the park's Facebook or Twitter pages for times to find a ranger at the Overlook.

The Klamath River Overlook is located on Requa Road, off Highway 101, approximately 3 miles north of the Klamath River and 15 miles south of Crescent City. The overlook provides a spectacular view of the mouth of the Klamath River where it meets the Pacific Ocean. This is an excellent spot to view a variety of birds as well as several species of marine mammals. Bring binoculars and wear warm clothes.

For more information, please contact the park's Crescent City Information Center at (707) 465-7335, or the Thomas H. Kuchel Visitor Center (707) 465-7765.